



CITY OF DUPONT'S WEEKLY BITS & BYTES

Friday, September 22, 2023

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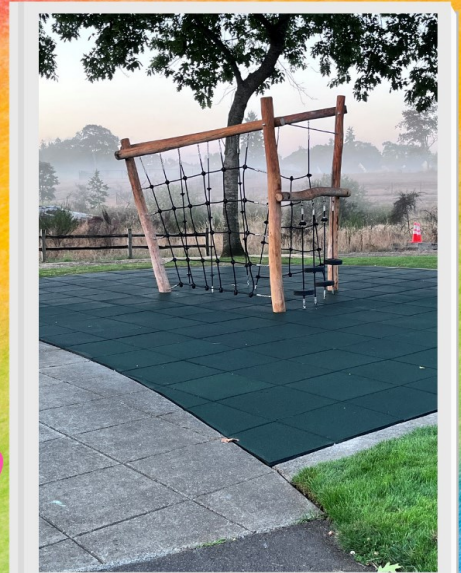
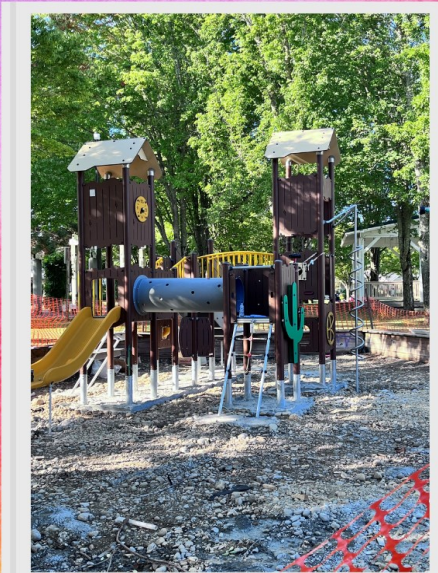
PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT UPDATE

The installation of the new playground equipment at Clocktower Park, Sellers Park, and Edmond Village Park is coming along nicely! The projects have taken a bit longer than anticipated but we are on the home stretch and can't wait to see the kids enjoying the new toys!

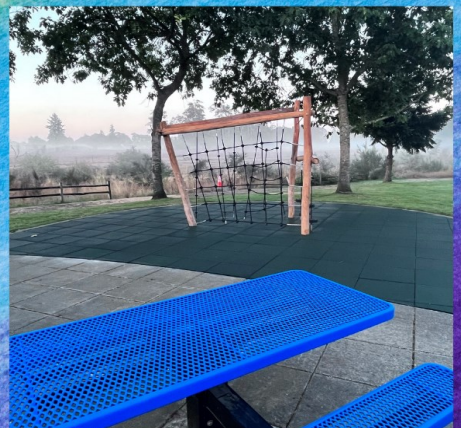
Clocktower Park

Sellers Park

Edmond Village Park



PLAYGROUND
Equipment



2023 Fall Cleanup



Pierce
County
Refuse



A Waste Connections Company

THE CITY OF DUPONT IN
COORDINATION WITH LEMAY PIERCE
COUNTY REFUSE IS OFFERING A
* FREE * COMMUNITY WIDE COLLECTION OF
YOUR UNWANTED MATERIAL ON

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2023

8:00AM

**CURBSIDE PICKUP ONLY -
NO BULKY WASTE**

CURBSIDE PICKUP:

PLACE YOUR UNWANTED MATERIALS IN BAGS OR BOXES AND PLEASE DO NOT
EXCEED 45LBS EACH
PLEASE LEAVE ITEMS AT YOUR NORMAL PICKUP LOCATION BY 8:00AM SO THE
GARBAGE TRUCKS CAN START THE CLEANUP!
MAKE SURE YOUR BAGS OR BOXES ARE PROPERLY CLOSED SO THEY ARE WIND AND
ANIMAL PROOF.

PLEASE... NO HAZARDOUS MATERIALS!!

SUCH AS: ANTIFREEZE, FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS, FLUORESCENT BULBS, COMPACT
FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS,
OIL BASED PAINTS, INSECTICIDES, YARD & GARDEN CHEMICALS, ETC.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR SERVICES NOT PROVIDED BY CURBSIDE PICKUP

BULKY WASTE/TRANSFER STATION- [HTTPS://WWW.CO.PIERCE.WA.US/1541/TRANSFER-STATIONS](https://www.co.pierce.wa.us/1541/TRANSFER-STATIONS)

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE- [HTTPS://WWW.CO.PIERCE.WA.US/1544/HOUSEHOLD-HAZARDOUS-WASTE%20](https://www.co.pierce.wa.us/1544/HOUSEHOLD-HAZARDOUS-WASTE%20)

DONATIONS- [HTTPS://WWW.CO.PIERCE.WA.US/1520/DONATIONS](https://www.co.pierce.wa.us/1520/DONATIONS)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION. CALL LEMAY PIERCE COUNTY REFUSE AT : (253) 875-5053

City News

MUNICIPAL POSITION OPENING!

The City of DuPont is looking for a citizen to fill a vacant position on the Planning Commission. The purpose of the Planning Commission is to advise the City Council on General Land Use, Growth Management, Long-Range Capital Improvement Plans, and Transportation Planning. For citizens interested in applying, detailed information the Planning Commission's responsibilities and meeting times can be found on the City's website at <https://www.dupontwa.gov/83/Commissions>. The current application can be found at: <https://www.dupontwa.gov/512/Vacancies>.

BUILDING CODE UPDATE:

The State Building Code Council voted on September 15, 2023, to delay the effective date of the 2021 Washington State codes. The new code effective date will be **March 15, 2024**. The previous effective date was October 29, 2023 and July 1, 2023 respectively. The city of DuPont currently has the 2018 building codes with amendment adopted.



2023 Parks & Recreation Annual Auction

IT'S THE GREAT AUCTION CITY OF DUPONT



ONLINE BIDDING ACCESS: \$10

TICKETS ON SALE SEPTEMBER 20
BIDDING OCCURS OCTOBER 7-14, 2023

BID ON SOME GREAT ITEMS!

ALL PROCEEDS SUPPORT YOUTH, ADULT & SENIOR PROGRAMMING

CITY OF DUPONT
PARKS & RECREATION

CALLING ALL BAKERS!

Over the years, our wonderful community has donated amazing desserts to our annual auction. Last year, we raised close to \$2000 on the Dessert Dash! This year, we are asking bakers to donate their favorite dessert. It doesn't need to be fancy, just made with community spirit! You will be asked to drop your dessert off at City Hall on 10/26 for winning bidders to pick them up on 10/27 at City Hall.



PLEASE CONTACT AMY WALKER IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING:
AWALKER@DUPONTWA.GOV

It's the Great Auction, City of DuPont!

Hey DuPont, it's time for one of the most anticipated events of the year- our largest annual fundraising auction. Online bidding occurs **October 7 through 14** with more unique items than ever before. You are going to love you see! Donations to this year's event are happily accepted and no donation is too small. We can incorporate just about anything into a gift basket, so please keep us in mind when donating this year! We are also looking for local bakers to donate to the Dessert Dash portion of the auction.

All auction information can be found here:

[Parks & Recreation Annual Auction | DuPont, WA - Official Website \(dupontwa.gov\)](https://www.dupontwa.gov/parks-recreation/annual-auction)

DuPont Parks & Recreation

Solo Stove Ranger 2.0 Raffle!

Ticket \$5 each

All proceeds support youth, adult and senior programming.

Tickets available at the DuPont Fall Farmers Market or at City Hall.

Solo Stove Ranger 2.0 Raffle

In conjunction with "The Great Auction", raffle tickets can be purchased to win a Solo Stove Ranger 2.0. Tickets can be purchased at City Hall. Tickets are \$5. All proceeds benefit youth, adult and senior programming.



2023/2024 Dance Classes

Registration for the 2023/2024 dance season is open with Valor School of Dance! Parks & Recreation is pleased to partner with Valor for another year of quality dance instruction for our families right here in DuPont at our Community Center in historic DuPont. Our dance program continues to grow at astonishing rates and we are expanding our programs to meet the need. Registration info can be found here: [Classes | DuPont, WA - Official Website \(dupontwa.gov\)](https://www.dupontwa.gov/parks-recreation/dance-classes)

Parks and Recreation



Downtown Trick or Treating

Local Businesses and residents are gearing up for one of our most anticipated events of the year. Parks & Recreation invites all community members to downtown DuPont for Downtown Trick or Treating on **Tuesday, October 31st from 3:00-5:00 pm**, Halloween Day.

We are very grateful to our local businesses for graciously opening their doors to our community during this annual tradition. If you are a local business not on Wilmington Drive and want to participate, please contact Amy Walker at awalker@dupontwa.gov.

Youth Basketball

Youth basketball season is just around the corner! Basketball is our largest sports program that Parks & Recreation hosts and we are always looking for new and enthusiastic volunteer coaches, scorekeepers, etc. All volunteers who are working with minors will be background checked.

If you are interested in volunteering please contact Amy Walker at awalker@dupontwa.gov and we will put you in touch with the appropriate folks! Please watch the City website for registration information.



Lunch, Movie....Action!

The monthly Senior Lunch & Movie is back after a short July intermission. Seniors are invited to attend our monthly gathering of lunch and a movie on **Tuesday, October 10**. If you are interested in attending, please watch for details on our City website the Friday before the event. Movie choices and departure time will be announced up to a week prior to the event. Pre-registration is required, and the fee to participate is just \$10 (plus tax), which includes lunch and a movie. *If you need help with the online registration process, please give us call, as we are here to help! Movie-goers may call Amy Walker at (253) 405-9698 with any questions. You can register and pay here: <https://dupontwa.gov/545/Adults-Seniors>*



DUPONT PARKS & RECREATION
YOU ASKED, WE LISTENED...



TEEN HALLOWEEN THRIFT SHOPPING

ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST
PRE-REGISTER AGES 13-18

\$10

**OCTOBER 13
10AM-3PM.**

Parents, this is a no school day and a good opportunity for your teen to knock out Halloween costume shopping!

LUNCH WITH FRIENDS

Transportation from and to DuPont City Hall & Lunch is provided!

Teen Halloween Thrift Shopping

Back by popular demand, teen thrift shopping! Halloween edition! Spend the day with Parks & Recreation going to local thrift stores to find your Halloween costume! Transportation to and from DuPont City Hall as well as lunch will be provided. Parents, this is a no school day so it is a great opportunity for your teen to go out and shop with friends!

Friday October 13, 2023 from 10AM-3PM. Ages 13-18. \$10. Pre-Registration and payment is required.

<https://www.dupontwa.gov/546/Teens>

Calling all Parks & Recreation Instructors!

Parks & Recreation is currently looking for instructors for all types of classes for the young and the young at heart. If you have a special skill or hobby that you would like to share with the community and make a little money while doing so, please take a moment to complete the following survey and your Parks & Recreation team will be in touch! We cannot wait to hear from you!

[Recreation & Activities | DuPont, WA - Official Website](https://www.dupontwa.gov/546/Teens)





Board game Day - Come play against friends and family!

Come to the DuPont Museum on the last Sunday of each month to play board games! Games and snacks will be provided but you can also bring your own game to share. The next Board Game Day will be **Sunday, September 24th**. DuPont Historical Museum - 207 Barksdale Ave., DuPont



Spooky Stories

MYSTERIOUS, UNEXPLAINED, & GHOSTLY
HAPPENINGS OF PIERCE COUNTY

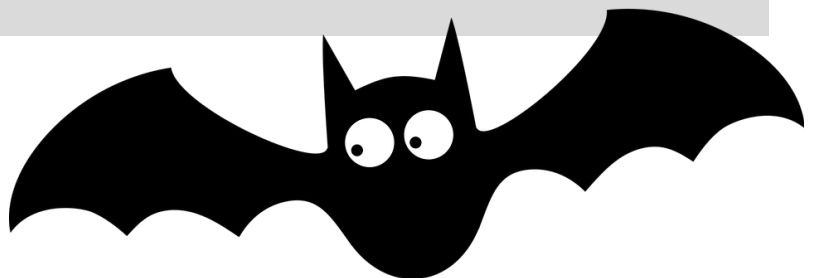
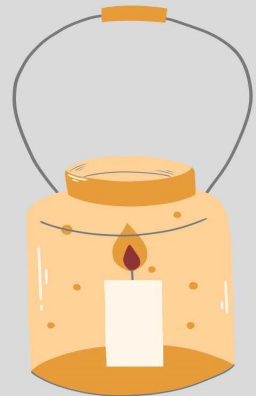
by Pretty Gritty Tours' Chris

Friday, September 29, 2023
Clocktower Park, 1400 Palisade Blvd, Dupont WA
begins 7:00 p.m.

Tickets \$7
ages 12 and up

Hot cider & treats
Under the tent; please bring your own chair
Costumes welcome!

Purchase your tickets in advance to help us plan:
(253) 820-3656
DuPontHistoricalMuseum@gmail.com



DuPont Fire Department

Response Information: The table below shows general responses. Details, if needed, are listed to better explain the response. The yellow highlighted areas in the "Current" column are statistics from the past week and the "Year" statistics include all responses since January 1st of this year.



Previous total	(Category) Description	Details	Current	Year
3	(10) Fire, other			3
4	(11) Structure Fire			4
6	(13) Mobile property (vehicle) fire			6
9	(14) Natural vegetation fire		1	10
0	(15) Outside rubbish fire			0
1	(25) Excessive heat, scorch burns with no ignition			1
2	(30) Rescue, emergency medical call (EMS), other			2
16	(31) Medical assist			16
414	(32.1) Emergency medical service (EMS) incident		16	430
18	(32.2) Motor vehicle accident with injuries		3	21
0	(33) Lock-In			0
1	(35) Extrication, rescue			1
2	(36) Water or ice-related rescue			2
0	(40) Flammable gas or liquid condition, other			0
5	(41) Combustible/flammable spills & leaks		1	6
3	(42) Chemical Release, reaction or toxic condition			3
1	(44) Electrical wiring/equipment problem			1
35	(50) Service call, other		2	37
9	(51) Person in distress			9
2	(53) Smoke, odor problem			2
1	(54) Animal problem or rescue			1
27	(55) Public service assistance		2	29
1	(56) Unauthorized burning			1
9	(60) Good intent call, other			9
36	(61) Dispatched and canceled en route		5	41
2	(62) Wrong location, no emergency found			2
10	(65) Steam, other gas mistaken for smoke		1	11
1	(66) EMS call-transported by non-fire agency			1
10	(70) False alarm and false call, other		2	12
0	(71) Malicious, mischievous false alarm		2	2
29	(73) System or detector malfunction		1	30
13	(74) Unintentional system/detector operation (no fire)			13
1	(91) Citizen complaint			1
0	Unknown			0
671	TOTALS		36	707

Transport	Current	Year	Previous
Allenmore		1	1
Madigan	4	88	84
Mary Bridge	1	48	47
St. Clare	3	90	87
St. Joseph	1	29	28
St. Peters		8	8
Tacoma General		12	12
TOTAL	9	276	267

ALS	13	285	272
BLS	6	165	159

Calls by time of day (8-hr blocks):			
0000-0759	2	136	134
0800-1649	22	338	316
1700-2359	12	233	221
TOTAL	36	707	671

Calls by day of the week:			
Sunday	3	79	76
Monday	3	93	90
Tuesday	5	93	88
Wednesday	7	131	124
Thursday	8	115	107
Friday	4	96	92
Saturday	6	100	94
TOTAL	36	707	671

Mutual Aid / Multiple Calls:			
DPF Received	3	49	46
DPF Provided	5	38	33
Multiple Calls	6	83	77

Safety Message - Kitchen Fire Prevention:

Cooking is, by far, the leading cause of home fires and home fire injuries.

In 2021, fire departments in the United States responded to an estimated 170,000 home cooking fires. These fires caused an estimated 135 deaths, 3,000 injuries and over \$494 million in property loss.

Safety Tip-Stand by your pan:

- If you leave the kitchen, turn the burner off.
- Watch what you are cooking.
- Fires start when the heat is too high. If you see any smoke or the grease that starts to boil, turn the burner off.
- Turn pot handles toward the back of the stove, then no one can bump them or pull them over.
- Keep a pan lid or baking sheet nearby, use it to cover the pan if it catches on fire. This will put out the fire.

Cooking fires are the number one cause of home fires and home fire injuries. Know how to prevent a kitchen fire and what to do if you have one.

Clean cooking equipment after each use. Crumbs in a toaster or grease on the stove can catch on fire.



If you have a fire in your oven, turn it off. Let the contents cool before cleaning.



If you have a fire in your oven and the flames escape it, leave your home and call 911.



For more information and free fire-safety resources, visit www.usfa.fema.gov.



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AUGUST 2023

I-5 - Mounts Rd. to Steilacoom-DuPont Rd. Corridor Improvements

Beginning in late summer 2023, contractor crews working for the Washington State Department of Transportation will begin construction on Interstate 5 in DuPont near Joint Base Lewis-McChord. This is the third in a series of projects that widens I-5 to add HOV lanes between DuPont and Lakewood.

Improvements coming to DuPont and JBLM

In addition to extending the I-5 HOV lanes, construction crews will make improvements that enhance mobility and safety in DuPont and near the JBLM DuPont Gate at exit 119, including:

- A new bridge spanning I-5 and the railroad. The new bridge will feature a partial Diverging Diamond Interchange and a shared-use path for pedestrians and bicyclists between JBLM and DuPont.
- Direct access between JBLM and both directions of I-5.
- A new roundabout connecting Steilacoom-DuPont Road and the new overpass.

The project will also add a new signal at the intersection of the southbound I-5 off-ramp at Mounts Road (exit 116) and improve the I-5 vertical clearance over Pendleton Avenue.

What you can expect

Construction will begin in summer 2023 and is expected to be complete in 2026. The project consists of multiple stages that involve overnight and weekend ramp closures, lane shifts onto temporary pavement, potential speed limit reductions, and bicycle and pedestrian detours. Crews will contain dust and debris to the construction site and will minimize noise as much as practical. Clear signage will indicate required detours throughout the project.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Information: This material can be made available in an alternate format by emailing the Office of Equity and Civil Rights at wsdotada@wsdot.wa.gov or by calling toll free, 855-362-4ADA(4232). Persons who are deaf or hard of hearing may make a request by calling the Washington State Relay at 711.

Title VI Notice to Public: It is the Washington State Department of Transportation's (WSDOT) policy to assure that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, as provided by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise discriminated against under any of its programs and activities. Any person who believes his/her Title VI protection has been violated, may file a complaint with WSDOT's Office of Equity and Civil Rights (OECR). For additional information regarding Title VI complaint procedures and/or information regarding our non-discrimination obligations, please contact OECR's Title VI Coordinator at (360) 705-7090. 23-08-0293



The project extends HOV lanes in both directions into DuPont.

Stay connected

Follow us on Twitter [@WSDOT_Tacoma](https://twitter.com/WSDOT_Tacoma)

Check out our Facebook page: facebook.com/WSDOT

Project hotline: 206-467-2171

Scan the QR code or visit: wsdot.wa.gov/construction-planning/search-projects/i-5-mounts-rd-steilacoom-dupont-rd-corridor-improvements

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For updated weekly ramp and lane

closure schedules, visit: wsdot.com/Travel/Real-time/Map/

JBLM: Expect roadwork on Pendleton Avenue under I-5 Sept. 25-29

DUPONT – The week of Sept. 25, travelers who use Pendleton Avenue below Interstate 5 will experience single-lane alternating traffic. This section of Pendleton Avenue is within Joint Base Lewis-McChord. The lane reduction will allow crews to remove sidewalks and set up temporary fencing. This work will support upcoming construction on the I-5 overpass.

Alternating traffic on Pendleton Avenue at I-5

Flaggers will alternate traffic through the work zone on Pendleton Avenue at I-5 from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. each day, Monday, Sept 25 to Friday, Sept. 29.

WSDOT: I-5 Mounts Rd to Steilacoom-DuPont Road Corridor Improvements outreach links:

Online open house:

<https://engage.wsdot.wa.gov/i-5-mounts-to-steilacoom-dupont-rd/>

WSDOT Blog:

<https://wsdotblog.blogspot.com/2023/09/i-5-hov-dupont-jblm.html>

YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IIDRY3j6DNI&t=1s>

The WSDOT Facebook page also has a post linking the blog and online open house:

<https://www.facebook.com/WSDOT/>



Weekly Activity Report

*Duty * Professionalism * Dedication*



Total Calls for Service 09/11/23 – 09/17/23: 203
Average per day: 29

The “Total Calls for Service” statistic above includes, but is not limited to, the following incidents:

EMERGENCY & PATROL INCIDENTS

03 Citizen Assist
07 Community Oriented Policing
08 Agency Assist
02 Disorderly / Verbal (unable to locate)
01 Domestic Violence / Verbal
01 Incurrigible Juvenile
01 Littering
05 Subject Stop
05 Suspicious Vehicle
01 Traffic Complaint
03 Unwanted Loiterer
02 Welfare Check
01 Motor Vehicle Collision (vehicle vs bicyclist)

PROPERTY & OTHER CRIMES

01 Residential Burglary
03 Commercial Burglary
01 Motor Vehicle Collision / Hit & Run
01 Vandalism

CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS

01 Fraud



DEPARTMENT NEWS

- Officers conducted speed emphases in the school zones.
- Officers completed online training.

REPORTING AN INCIDENT? NEED AN OFFICER?

- To report an emergency, dial 9-1-1
- To report a non-emergency, dial (253) 287-4455
- If you aren't sure, let us help you by dialing (253) 964-7060

If you have non-urgent questions, suggestions, want to file a complaint or commend a D.P.D. staff member, we appreciate the opportunity to assist you. You may reach us via email at Police@dupontwa.gov or by telephone at (253) 964-7060.

DOWNLOAD THE DUPONT POLICE APP TODAY!



City Council and Calendars

9/26/2023 Regular Council Meeting agenda items:

- Recognizing Deputy Mayor Winkler for his Advanced Certificate of Municipal Leadership.
- Proclaiming the week of September 23 through October 1, 2023, as "Blue Star Welcome Week" in the City of DuPont.
- Ordinance regarding amendments to the DuPont Municipal Code 14 05.120 in regards to Public Right of Ways, First Reading.
- Resolution No. 23-013 approving the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (ARPA) expenditures.



Helpful Meeting Links:

- City of DuPont Meetings can be watched live or later at:
City's YouTube channel: (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCI-nrLK1wNfpq3_CeNJw40A).
- Regular Council Meetings can be watched live or later at the City's YouTube channel and/or at: Pierce County TV (<https://www.piercecountytv.org/1306/DuPont-Live-Meetings>).
- Agendas, once published, are officially posted on the bulletin board at City Hall and available at the following link: <https://dupont.civicweb.net/filepro/documents/777/>.
- Minutes, after they are passed, are available at: <https://dupont.civicweb.net/filepro/documents/7/>.

Regular City Council meetings begin at 6:00 PM on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month.

Published agendas can be found on the website's homepage; click on the meeting date on the City of DuPont Calendar and then "Download Agenda".



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Agenda



Date	Time	UPCOMING MEETINGS
9/25/2023	6:00 PM	Planning Commission Special Meeting
9/26/2023	6:00 PM	City Council Meeting
10/2/2023	6:00 PM	Park & Recreation Commission Meeting
10/9/2023	5:00 PM	Tree Advisory Commission Meeting
10/9/2023	6:30 PM	Planning Commission Meeting
10/10/2023	11:00 AM	Civil Service Commission Meeting
10/10/2023	6:00 PM	City Council Meeting
10/16/2023	6:00 PM	Park & Recreation Commission Special Meeting
10/24/2023	6:00 PM	City Council Meeting



Date	ACTIVITIES - SAVE THE DATE!	Location/Information
10/7-10/14/2023	The Great Auction and Dessert Dash	Parks & Recreation Annual Auction DuPont, WA - Official Website (dupontwa.gov)
10/10/23	Senior Movie & Lunch	https://www.dupontwa.gov/545/Adults-Seniors
10/13/23	Teen Halloween Thrift Shopping	https://www.dupontwa.gov/546/Teens
10/14/23	2023 Fall Cleanup	Calendar • DuPont, WA • CivicEngage (dupontwa.gov)
10/31/2023	Downtown Trick or Treating	https://www.dupontwa.gov/195/Events